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**GOOD SEED  
TO SOW**

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**Hoffman Homestead Farm**

/// A. H. HOFFMAN, Prop.

**Bamford, Lancaster County, Pa.**

## Our Money Back Plan.

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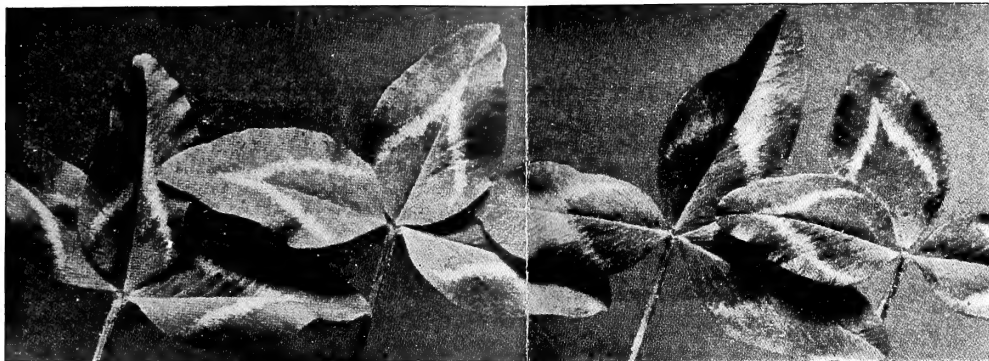
Under which we have been selling Seed for years satisfactorily, both to ourselves and our customers, is continued—

*Seed bought from us that is not found to be satisfactory upon its arrival, may be returned within four days at our expense, and your money will be refunded.*

We will not be responsible in any way for Seed or resultant crop after it is planted.

A. H. HOFFMAN

Bamford, Lancaster Co., Pa.



# Grass Seed

of foreign seed will be imported and placed on the market as the season advances. It is this foreign seed that is full of weeds, and if you sow it you will probably introduce weeds of the most obnoxious character that can not be gotten rid of for years to come. We believe the early purchaser of Clovers stands the best chance of getting high grade seed at the lowest possible prices.

Prices of Grass Seed subject to change without notice.

Bags extra at 20 cents each.

**"Extra" Medium Red Clover.** Our high praise of this brand is based upon scientific investigation. The Pennsylvania State College Agronomist's examination of our "Extra" Medium Red Clover resulted in a report showing it to be 99 $\frac{1}{2}$ % pure. The  $\frac{1}{2}$ % of impurity was largely broken grains, timothy and alsyke which are harmless. This seed is strictly new—no old seed mixed with it. The germination tests 96%. The report of the Agronomist concluded with the comment,—*Altogether, this is the best seed we have examined in a long while.*

The farmer who sows our "Extra" brand of Medium Red Clover need not fear that he is sowing Dodder, Buckhorn or other foul seeds of a similar nature.

Price, \$10.50 per bushel.

The purchasers of our "Extra" Medium Red Clover may take one month's time to have it examined by the National or any State bureau of plant industry and if the test is not satisfactory as to purity or germination the seed may be reshipped to us and its cost with freight for round trip will be returned.

**"Prime" Medium Red Clover.** This brand is equal or superior to most of the grades offered by the great majority of country dealers. It is a comparatively high grade, free from dodder and cheap at the price quoted.

Price, \$9.50 per bushel.

**Mammoth or Sappling Clover.** We handle only one grade of Mammoth. It is of a quality similar to our "Extra" Medium, clean and of highest germination. This seed comes from a source that justifies us in believing and assuring our customers that it is genuine and true to name and that it is not Medium Red Clover.

Price, \$10.50 per bushel.

**Alsyke.** We have a fine grade of this now popular clover. We recommend that farmers mix a proportion of Alsyke with their Medium Red and Mammoth clovers. One part Alsyke to two or three parts Medium or Mammoth is recommended. When the Medi-

um or Mammoth fails there is pretty certain to remain a nice setting of Alsyke if it is sown in this way.

Price, \$9.50 per bushel.

**"Farmers Choice" Timothy.** This brand is absolutely clean of foul seeds and of highest germination.

Our present stock tests 99 $\frac{95}{100}$ % pure. The remaining  $\frac{5}{100}$  of 1% being fibre and not weed seeds.

Price, \$2.50 per bushel.

**Prime Timothy.** This brand is equal or superior to the great average bulk of the timothy handled in most communities. It is a comparatively high grade but not nearly equal to our "Farmers Choice."

Price, \$2.20 per bushel.

**White Clover.** Very high grade. Price \$13.00 per bushel. 23 cents per pound. By mail 32 cents per pound, postpaid.

**Alfalfa.** High grade. Many farmers are sowing a few pounds of "Alfalfa" with their other clovers in order to inoculate their soil and thus prepare it for the practical growing of "Alfalfa" at some future time. Price \$11.00 per bushel. 20 cents per lb. By mail, 30 cents per pound, postpaid.

**Crimson Clover.** The best crop for soiling. Now coming into favor for sowing into corn fields at the last cultivation. High grade seed. Price \$8.00 per bushel.

**Kentucky Blue Grass.** High grade. 14 pounds per bushel. \$2.60 per bushel.

**Red-Top.** Unhulled. High grade. 14 pounds per bu. \$1.75 per bushel.

**Permanent Pasture Mixture.** For uplands and lowlands. 15 cents per pound. 30 to 40 pounds per acre is required.

**Lawn Grass.** A scientific mixture that is giving satisfaction. Price 18 cents per pound. Sow 35 to 45 pounds per acre of lawn.

**German Millet.** Southern grown. Price \$1.75 per bushel. Best results secured by sowing heavily, as much as 3 peck per acre is recommended.

**Canada Field Peas.** \$2.00 per bushel.

**Black Cow Peas.** \$2.00 per bushel.

**Soga Beans.** \$2.00 per bushel.

**Two-Rowed Barley.** \$1.20 per bushel.

**Six-Rowed Barley.** \$1.20 per bushel.

**Japanese Buckwheat.** \$1.10 per bushel.

**Silver Hull Buckwheat.** \$1.20 per bushel.

**Spring Wheat.** \$1.80 per bushel.

**Spring Rye.** \$1.35 per bushel.

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# SEED



20th Century

There is no other crop on the farm that will respond so well to the planting of High Grade Seed as the potato crop. The best Seed Potatoes are selected from productive crops grown on ideal soil and that have been properly stored in a temperature warm enough to escape chilling and cold enough to prevent premature sprouting. The best seed comes from the far north where the soil is ideal for potato growing. Large crops of healthy, vigorous potatoes are harvested that can be placed at once in proper storage without loss of vitality. Our early and mid-season varieties come chiefly from Aroostook county, Maine. Our late varieties come from northern New York, where on account of the longer season there is time for them to fully mature. Only one variety on our list the "Early Ohio" was grown here in Pennsylvania. Our Northern grown potatoes are shipped to us in the late fall or early winter after which we are able to take care of them with proper storage at the correct temperature in our dark, cool cellars. We can usually start shipping seed potatoes as early as March 15, with safety from frost—much earlier than broken car lots can be started from the far north, and are delivered at less cost for transportation. Shipments are made in heavy jute bags for which no charge is made. A barrel of potatoes is 165 pounds, or 11 pecks. A bushel is 60 pounds.

## VARIETIES

**Early Rose.** Genuine stock. Needs no description. Price, Barrel \$4.00 Bushel \$1.60. Peck 45c.

**Six Weeks.** Very early, rose colored variety. Price, \$4.00 Barrel Bushel \$1.60. Peck 45c.



American Giants

**Irish Cobblers.** This is the earliest, most reliable and most popular of the early white varieties. It is handsome, and of most excellent quality. A vigorous grower and good keeper. In short it is the best all round early white potato on market. Our stock is large and was grown by a careful Maine state farmer who produces pure vigorous stock. For several years there has not been enough Irish Cobbler seed to go around. We advise, therefore, that you order this variety early.

Price, Barrel \$4.00. Bushel \$1.60. Peck 45c.

**Early Ohio.** This is the best of the rose colored varieties. We have very pure stock. It was grown from Maine Seed here in Pennsylvania, on soil that was especially adapted to this variety. Care was taken to properly store this seed and we recommend it for planting. The Early Ohio is rose in color, of uniform size, shallow eyes, splendid eating qualities, and among the earliest of the rose colored varieties.

Price, Barrel \$3.00. Bushel \$1.25. Peck 35c.

**Early Northern.** A very early rose colored variety, originating in Maine.

Price, Barrel \$4.00. Bushel \$1.60. Peck 45c.

**20th Century.** Here is a late variety suitable for general planting, that we offer with the utmost confidence. It is a strong vigorous grower that seems to do well under almost any conditions of soil or climate. It seems to withstand drought or even excessive rains better than any other variety. It withstands blight when other varieties side by side become affected by it. The crops of tubers at harvest are something wonderful. The yield of nicely shaped large potatoes, of splendid eating and keeping qualities, make this variety stand almost in a class by itself among the late, white, round to oblong shaped varieties. In making up your order do not fail to include at least a few 20th Century.

Price, Barrel \$3.75. Bushel \$1.50. Peck 40c.



Irish Cobblers in Blossom

### Early Orders

are advised to make sure of getting what you want. Send your orders at once. If you remit 50 cents per barrel with your order the balance need not be sent until just before shipment is desired.



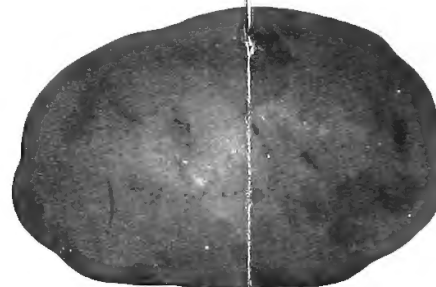
Rural New Yorker

### On a 5 Barrel Lot

of any one or more varieties a reduction of 10 cents per barrel will be allowed.

### On a 10 or more

barrel order 15 cents per barrel may be deducted.



Early Ohio

# Potatoes

### Sir Walter Raleigh.

A white variety, mid-season, good quality, a heavy yielder, known everywhere.

Price, Barrel \$3.25. Bushel \$1.40. Peck 40c.

**Rural New Yorker.** Known from one end of the country to the other as a variety of much merit and fine yielding qualities. Succeeds on any kind of soil, and yields tubers of a large round to oblong shape, white smooth skin, and shallow eyes. Ripens mid-season.

Price, Barrel \$2.75. Bushel \$1.25. Peck 35c.

**Green Mountain.** This variety in the Eastern section of the United States is probably better known and more largely grown than any other. It is medium early, round to oblong in shape, white flesh of highest eating quality. It is a splendid, healthy grower, with a heavy foliage and a yielder of the first rank. It can be kept right up to the time the new crop comes, retaining its good eating qualities to the end. We have a fine stock of this variety that was grown by an Aroostook grower who makes a specialty of Green Mountains.

Price, Barrel \$3.25. Bushel \$1.40. Peck 40c.

### Carman No. 1

Price, Barrel \$3.25 Bushel \$1.40. Peck 40c.

### Carman No. 3

Price, Barrel \$3.25. Bushel \$1.40. Peck 40c.

**State of Maine.** Another white, round to oblong variety, ripening in mid-season. Noted for its fine eating qualities and heavy yields.

Price, Barrel \$3.25. Bushel \$1.40. Peck 40c.

**American Giant.** This is a long, white, late variety of special merit. On account of its productiveness it is a variety of great popularity. It is now profitably grown in many sections. It is the only distinctly long, late variety on our list, and we recommend it to our trade.

Price, Barrel \$3.50. Bushel \$1.50. Peck 40c.

## A. H. HOFFMAN

Bamford, Lanc. Co., Pa.



Green Mountain

## SEED CORN

### Ninety Day Yellow Dent Corn

This variety is early as its name indicates but it will require more than 90 days to mature in sections north of Maryland and the Ohio River. It produces a moderate sized ear with very thin cob and is almost solid corn. May be planted slightly closer than is proper for the mammoth eared varieties. In bushels of shelled corn 90 Day Yellow Dent will yield equal to any other variety, though it may not come up to some of the others in bushels of corn on the cob. Price, per bu. \$2.00, half bu. \$1.25, peck 75 cents, quart, by mail postpaid, 40 cents.

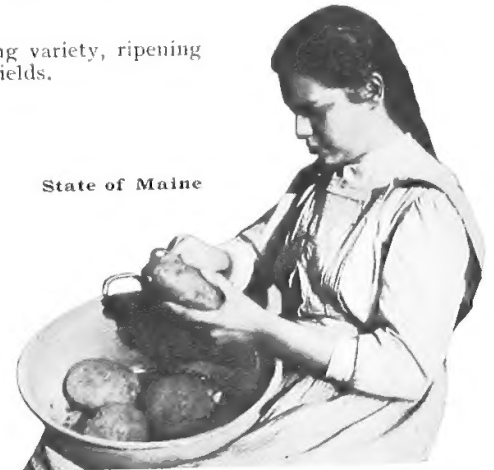
### Improved Leaming

This is another deep grained yellow variety of much popularity. It is early, too, does not make such a tall stalk, but every stalk is sure to have an ear even when farmed under adverse conditions. In a favorable season stalks will make two ears of good size. This variety readily adapts itself to soils of any character and succeeds well in any latitude where corn of any kind thrives. Price, per bu. \$2.50, half bu. \$1.50, peck \$1.00, quart, by mail postpaid, 50 cents.

### Boone County White

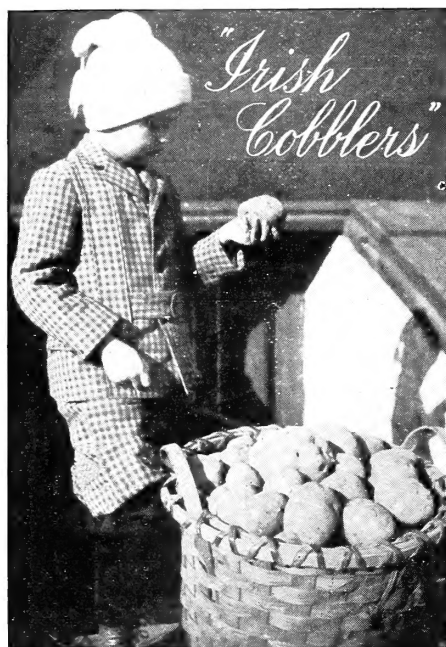
This mammoth white variety was originated by one of the most careful corn breeders of the west and it is a very popular corn. The ears contain from 18 to 24 rows and are well filled from end to end. The cobs, like the kernels, are white. The corn is a very prolific variety. Price, per bu. \$2.50, half bu. \$1.50, peck \$1.00, quart, by mail postpaid, 50 cents.

Our Seed Corn is all from selected ears, the tip end is removed before shelling and we furnish the bags free. We are not prepared to furnish Seed Corn in the ear.



State of Maine

# 1910 LIST.



IT IS conceded that the era of the farmer has come. Prices of farm products have risen to a level that leaves a nice profit to the farmer. There cannot be a serious over-production of farm products for years to come.

The farmer is surely coming to his own. The outlook for agriculture for the year 1910 could not be more promising.

The tiller of the soil who desires to reap the full advantage of the favorable conditions must rise to the occasion.

He must plan his work with intelligence, perseverance and skill. Farm labor, farm appliances and farm power must be provided. Proper tillage, cultivation and fertilization must be arranged for.

He must not overlook the matter of the farm seeds that will be required. The farmer who would get his full share of the profits from his 1910 farming operations will not start his crops with the severe handicap of poor seed.

This List points the way to

SOME GOOD SEEDS TO SOW.

**A. H. HOFFMAN,**  
Bamford, Lancaster Co., Penna.



## Tartar Oats.

We again offer this splendid variety of oats and recommend it as the best that can be secured. The original stock of this seed was imported from Tartary by Mr. I. S. Long in 1901. In 1902 Mr. Long farmed twenty acres of these oats on his Lebanon Co. Penn'a. farm and secured the enormous yield of 2117 bushels. Since then Tartar Oats has not lost any of its vigor or productive qualities. We believe it yet capable of doing, under favorable conditions, what it did for Mr. Long. Reports from our customers indicate that Tartar Oats succeeds in almost any climate or soil, and out-yields any other variety of oats.

Tartar Oats is long and stiff in straw. It does not lodge easily. The oats are heavy and white with thin chaff. It is the earliest variety we know of.

Farmers who bought Tartar Oats from us the past few years made good investments. The crops they grew invariably attracted much attention and were in great demand for seed at good prices at home.

Mr. John R. Briggs of N. Y., a purchaser of Tartar Oats from us, writes,—"I threshed nearly a 1000 bushels and they were fine. The yield was 75 to 90 bushels per acre. Every one around here wanted them this spring. I sold all I had for seed at \$1.00 per bu. in the bin."

Mr. E. L. Rumbaugh of Pennsylvania, writes,—"When people saw them grow they wanted my crop for seed and I had to turn down orders so that I had enough left to sow myself."

Mr. G. P. Krymer of New Jersey, writes,—"Since I have been growing the Tartar Oats I bought of you, everyone who looks at it grow pronounces it the finest oats in this section."

Prices, 2 to 4 bushels, \$1.25 per bu. 5 to 9 bushels, \$1.15 per bu. 10 bushels, \$1.10 per bu. 20 bushels or more, \$1.00 per bu.

Cotton bags to hold 3 bushels, 20 cents each.



**TERMS.**—Cash with order. We can't do business any other way. Our customer's standing remains unknown to us even though he may order year after year.

**REFERENCE.**—Dun's or Bradstreet's. Any local bank or business firm.

**WRITE PLAINLY** your Address and Freight Station.

**WE SHIP** from Landisville, Pa., over either the Penn'a or Reading Systems.

**IF YOU ORDER EARLY** we will have what you want, we can give your order our best attention and you will be ready at seed time. Order Now.

**A. H. HOFFMAN**

**BAMFORD, LANCASTER CO., PA.**

